

The bill to authorise a lottery to raise a sum of money for the purpose of building a church for the use of the Lutherans and Presbyterians in the neighbourhood of Alguiers, was read the second time and passed.

On motion by Mr. Spencer, Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Bowers, of Kent county. Ordered, That Messrs. Spencer, E. Browne and Brooke, report the same.

The house according to the order of the day proceeded to the second reading of the bill to regulate sales by public auction. A motion was made by Mr. Maulsby, that the first section be stricken out? And after some time being spent in debating the same,

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 13, 1820.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

Mr. Maulsby delivers a favourable report on the petition of Jacob Knight; which was read.

Mr. H. Hall reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise John D. Henley, of Harford county, to import and bring into this state certain negroes therein mentioned; which was read.

Mr. Spencer reports a bill, entitled, An act for the relief of James Bowers, of Kent county; and Mr. Dashiell reports a bill, entitled, An act to incorporate the Master and Wardens for the time being of Salisbury Lodge, No. 57, of Free and Accepted Masons, for the purposes therein mentioned; which were severally read the first and second time by especial order, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Duvall, Leave given to bring in a bill entitled, An act for the encouragement of agriculture. Ordered, That Messrs. Duvall, Peter, Gabby, W. R. Stuart and Key, report the same.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, the following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the governor and council be and they are hereby authorised and empowered, in all cases of debts due to this state, where judgments have been obtained, and the defendants are subject to execution, upon application being made to them, and they being fully satisfied that the said debt, for which indulgence is prayed, is well and sufficiently secured, and upon such applicant paying six per cent. interest, and all costs due thereon, to stay any further proceedings against such debtors until the first of January, 1821; provided, that any judgments upon which proceedings may be stayed as aforesaid, shall continue and remain in full force, and executions may be issued thereon at any time after the expiration of such stay.

On motion by Mr. Lecompte, Resolved, That the house, after Monday next, for the remainder of the session, in addition to the present hours of sitting, will sit from 6 o'clock P. M. till 9 o'clock P. M. for the dispatch of private business

The bill for the revaluation of real and personal property in Washington county; the bill to authorise John Stevens, the elder, late collector of Talbot county, to complete his collection; and the bill to increase the allowance of the sheriff of Worcester county for keeping prisoners, were read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate

On motion by Mr. W. R. Stuart. Leave given to bring in a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Ruth Tolson to complete the collections of John Tolson, her deceased husband, late collector of Queen-Anne's county. Ordered, That Messrs. W. R. Stuart, Harrison and Hollingsworth, report the same.

The resolution relative to the school fund for Worcester county, was read the second time, assented to, and sent to the senate.

The bill authorising the sale of certain property therein mentioned, was read the second time, passed, and sent to the senate.

On motion by Mr. Hayward, the following resolution was read:

Resolved, That the treasurer of the western shore be and he is hereby directed, to pay to John Leeds Kerr, esq. the agent for settling the claims of the state of Maryland with the general government, the sum of — dollars, out of any unappropriated money in the treasury, in part compensation for his services.

Mr. Marriott presents a petition from sundry inhabitants of Anne Arundel county, praying a sum may be levied for building a court house; which was read and referred to Messrs. Marriott, Duvall, Boyle, C. Stewart, T. Hall, Wyvill and Breckenridge.

On motion by Mr. A. Spence, Ordered, That the bill relative to courts of oyer and terminer, have a second reading on Thursday next.

The clerk of the senate delivers the supplement to the act to incorporate a company for erecting a bridge over Nanticoke river, at or near Vienna, in Dorchester county; and the bill for the benefit of the Washington Monument, severally endorsed "will pass." Ordered to be engrossed. The bill for the relief of James Stewart, Martin Rockyfield, and William Deming; and the bill to repeal all such parts of the several acts therein mentioned, severally endorsed "will pass with the proposed amendments," which amendments were read, assented to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to increase the allowance of the sheriff of Queen-Anne's county for keeping prisoners, was read the second time and passed.

Mr. W. R. Stuart reports a bill, entitled, An act to authorise Ruth Tolson to complete the collection of John Tolson, her deceased husband, late collector of Queen-Anne's county; which was read.

The house resumed the consideration of the bill to regulate sales by public auction; and after some time spent in debating the same,

The house adjourns until to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

FRIDAY, January 14, 1820.

The house met. Present the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

The bill to increase the allowance of the sheriff of Queen Anne's county for keeping prisoners, was sent to the senate.

Mr. Montgomery presents a petition from Alexander Prentice, of the city of Baltimore, praying the states' right to a piece of ground formerly the property of Levi W. Crossgrove, may be relinquished to him; which was read and referred to Messrs. Montgomery, Brackenridge and Keller.